

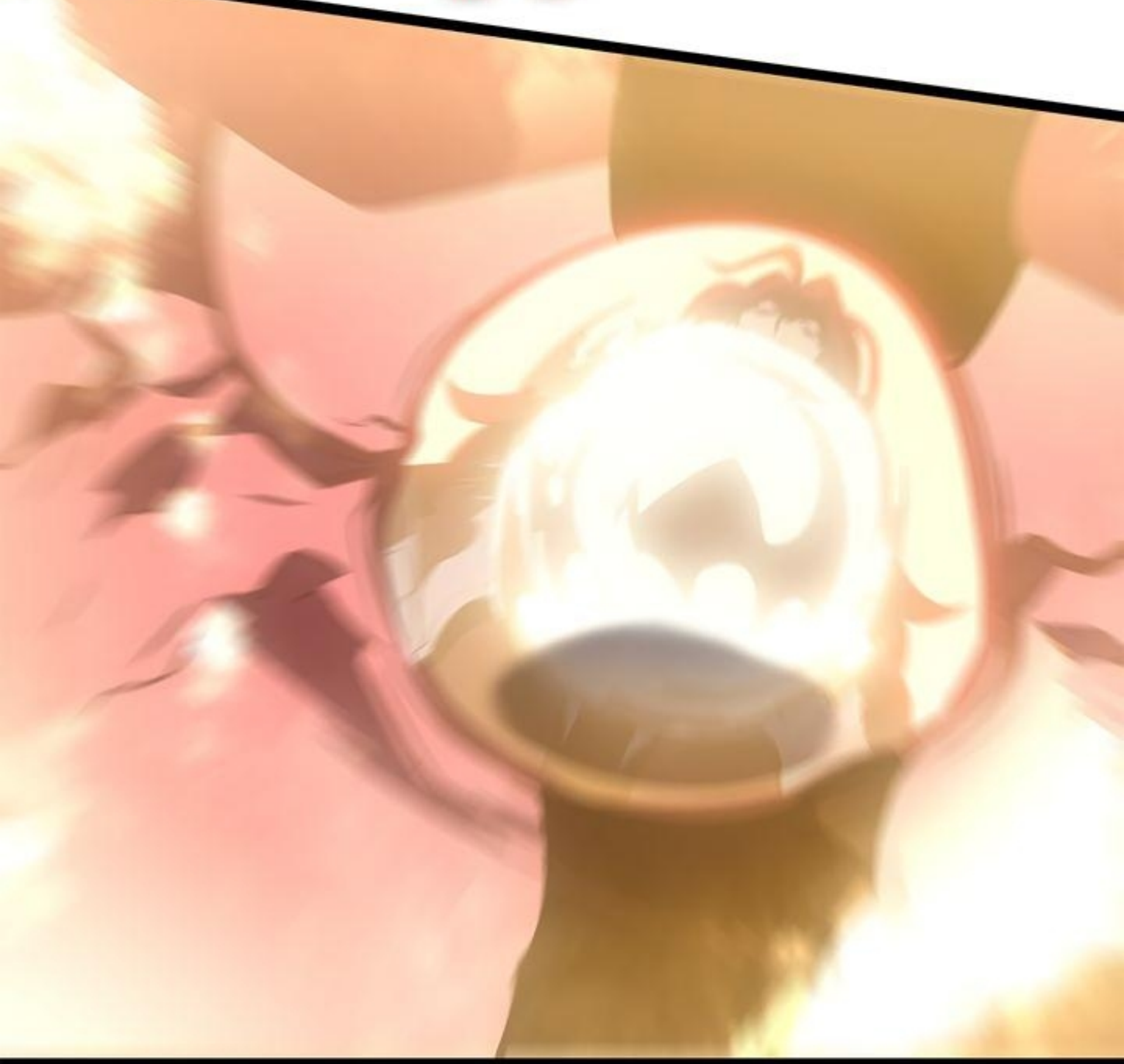
MR. SUNG,  
I...



# Solo Leveling

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URGH...!!

DAMN IT...  
I SHOULD'VE  
SEEN THIS  
COMING.

SINCE MY SHADOW  
ARMY ONLY GETS  
STRONGER AS THE  
BATTLE DRAGS ON,


THE ENEMY IS TRYING  
TO SHORTEN THE FIGHT  
BY GATHERING ALL THEIR  
FORCES IN A SINGLE  
LOCATION...!

THE MONARCHS  
OPENED ALL EIGHT  
GATES AS IF THEY  
WERE CARRYING ON  
AS PLANNED...






...AND SENT ALL  
THEIR FORCES TO THE  
GATE FURTHEST AWAY  
FROM ME.



GOING THERE NOW  
WILL ONLY START AN  
ALL-OUT WAR...



MY PLAN TO BUY  
TIME HAS GONE  
DOWN THE DRAIN.



I'VE MESSED  
UP BIG TIME.



MR. SUNG...



S, SIR...  
CANADA IS...







IS THERE REALLY  
NOTHING I CAN DO?

I CAN HEAR THE  
PULSING HEARTS  
OF THESE LIVING  
CREATURES...



...AND THEIR  
SCREAMS...







THE SOUND OF  
THEIR DEMISE...

...IS LIKE MUSIC  
TO MY EARS.



LOOKS LIKE  
WE'RE READY  
NOW.





**DESTROY  
EVERYTHING  
IN SIGHT!**

**THAT IS OUR  
SOLE MISSION!!**











THEY'RE  
PROBABLY ALL  
DEAD BY NOW.



THE HUNTERS,  
THE AGENTS, THE  
REPORTERS WHO  
WERE FILMING  
ON-SITE...

THERE WERE HUNDREDS  
OF DRAGONS... FOLLOWED  
BY A TIDAL WAVE OF  
GIANTS, BEASTS,  
AND INSECTS.



THIS DISASTER  
IS BEYOND HUMAN  
INTERVENTION.



THEY'RE  
ALL DEAD.  
IT'S OVER!



IT'S ONLY A MATTER  
OF TIME BEFORE THE  
BEASTS CROSS INTO  
AMERICA...

NOW I UNDERSTAND  
WHY SLUNG JINWOO URGED  
EVERYONE TO RUN AS FAR  
AWAY FROM THE GATES  
AS POSSIBLE.

THE WORLD IS  
DONE FOR...

THAT'S RIGHT...  
THIS IS THE END.

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M, MR. SUNG?

SORRY FOR  
POPPING IN LIKE  
THIS, BUT THERE'S  
SOMETHING I NEED.

THE RUNE  
STONE.



PLEASE GIVE  
ME THE RUNE  
STONE KAMISH  
LEFT BEHIND.



...!!





BUT MR. SUNG...  
AS YOU KNOW, THE  
FEDERAL BUREAU IS IN  
CHARGE OF KAMISH'S  
RUNE STONE...




WHAT THE HELL  
AM I SAYING? THE  
FEDERAL BUREAU  
ISN'T IMPORTANT  
RIGHT NOW.

THAT RUNE  
STONE WILL MEAN  
NOTHING IF THE ENTIRE  
COUNTRY IS RAZED TO  
THE GROUND.



MY APOLOGIES.  
IT SEEMS I HAVEN'T  
SOBERED UP YET.





I CAN GET YOU  
THAT RUNE STONE.

BUT WHAT DO YOU  
NEED IT FOR?



I'M GOING TO USE IT FOR  
A COUNTERATTACK.



YOU SAID...

...THOSE "RULERS"  
SENT THE BEASTS  
HERE.

WHIRRR

THEN WHAT  
EXACTLY ARE THESE  
RUNE STONES WE  
FOUND INSIDE THEIR  
BODIES?



THEY'RE GIFTS FROM  
THE RULERS THAT ARE  
MEANT TO HELP US HUMANS  
HUNT THE BEASTS WITH  
MORE EFFICIENCY.

THE RULERS WANT  
US TO FIGHT THEM WITH ALL  
OUR MIGHT, SO THAT MANA  
IS SPREAD THROUGHOUT  
THIS WORLD.

ANY DAMAGE WE  
HUMANS SUFFER IS A  
SIDE EFFECT OF THAT,  
RATHER THAN THEIR  
ULTIMATE GOAL.

WHEN A BEAST DIES,  
THEIR ABILITIES ARE  
AUTOMATICALLY SEALED  
IN A STONE.

THE RULERS CREATED  
THESE RUNE STONES  
TO HELP THE HUMANS  
HUNT THE BEASTS.

IS THIS REALLY ALL  
YOU NEED TO STOP  
THE BEASTS?



THERE'S ONLY ONE  
WAY TO FIND OUT.

BY THE WAY,  
MAY I ASK YOU FOR  
ANOTHER FAVOR?

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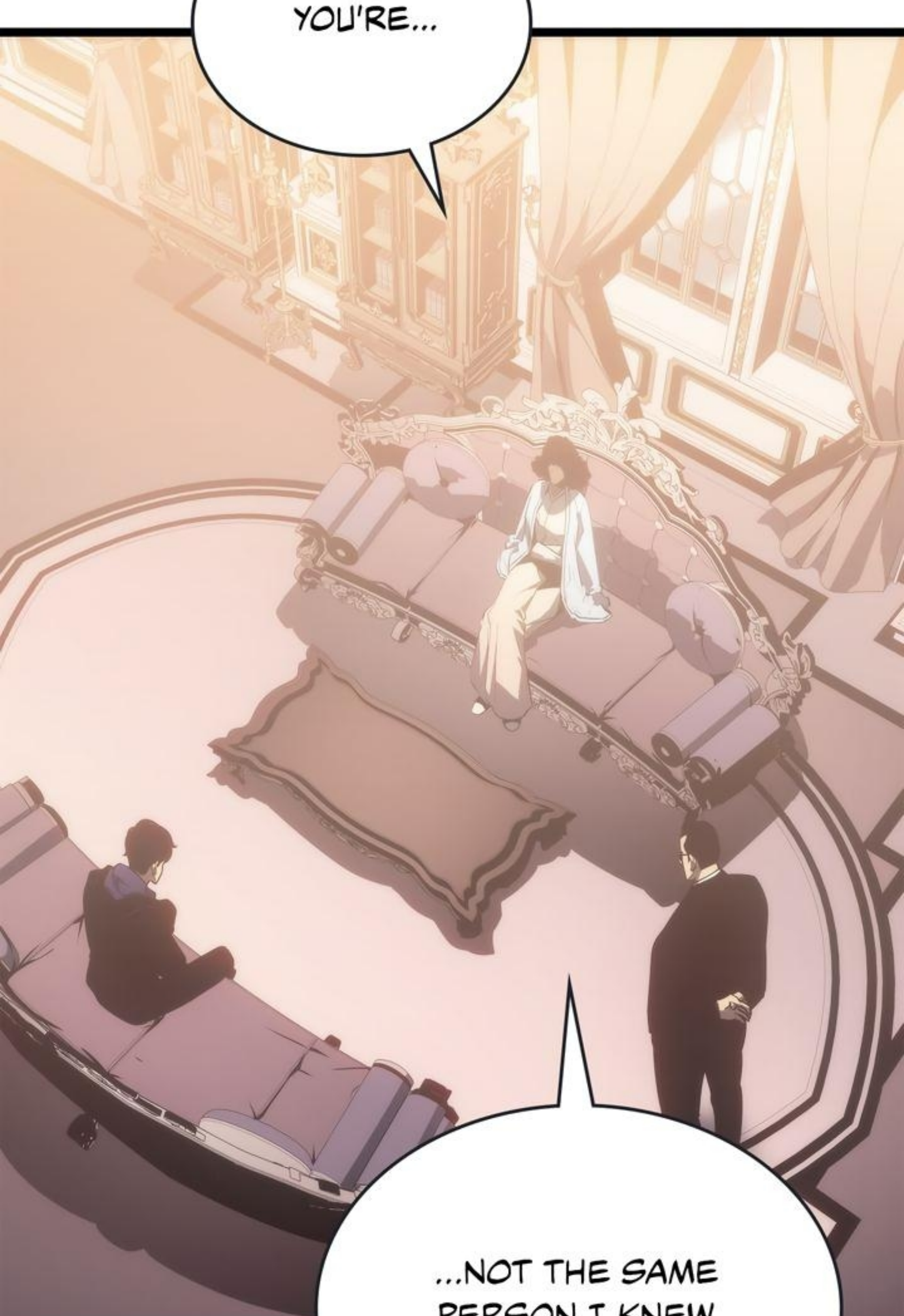




I WASN'T  
EXPECTING A VISITOR  
AT A TIME LIKE THIS.



YOU'RE...



...NOT THE SAME  
PERSON I KNEW  
IN THE PAST.



BEFORE, THE  
DARKNESS DWELLED  
DEEP WITHIN YOU.

BUT NOW,  
YOU'RE DARKNESS  
ITSELF.

I'M STILL THE  
SAME PERSON  
YOU REMEMBER,  
MS. SELNER.

THE ONLY  
DIFFERENCE IS THAT  
I'VE BECOME ONE  
WITH THE DARKNESS  
YOU SAW INSIDE ME.

YOU SAID YOU CAN  
SEE THE FUTURE,  
RIGHT?











MR. SUNG...

DRIP

ARE YOU  
REALLY...

SQUEEZE

...GOING TO SHOULDER  
EVERYTHING ALONE?






BUT HOW...?

HOW CAN ONE  
PERSON CARRY  
SUCH A CRUEL  
BURDEN...?

ARE YOU PLANNING  
ON SACRIFICING  
YOURSELF FOR THE  
GREATER GOOD?





WHAT A RELIEF.  
THAT MEANS MY  
PLAN WILL WORK.

**A RELIEF,  
YOU SAY?!**

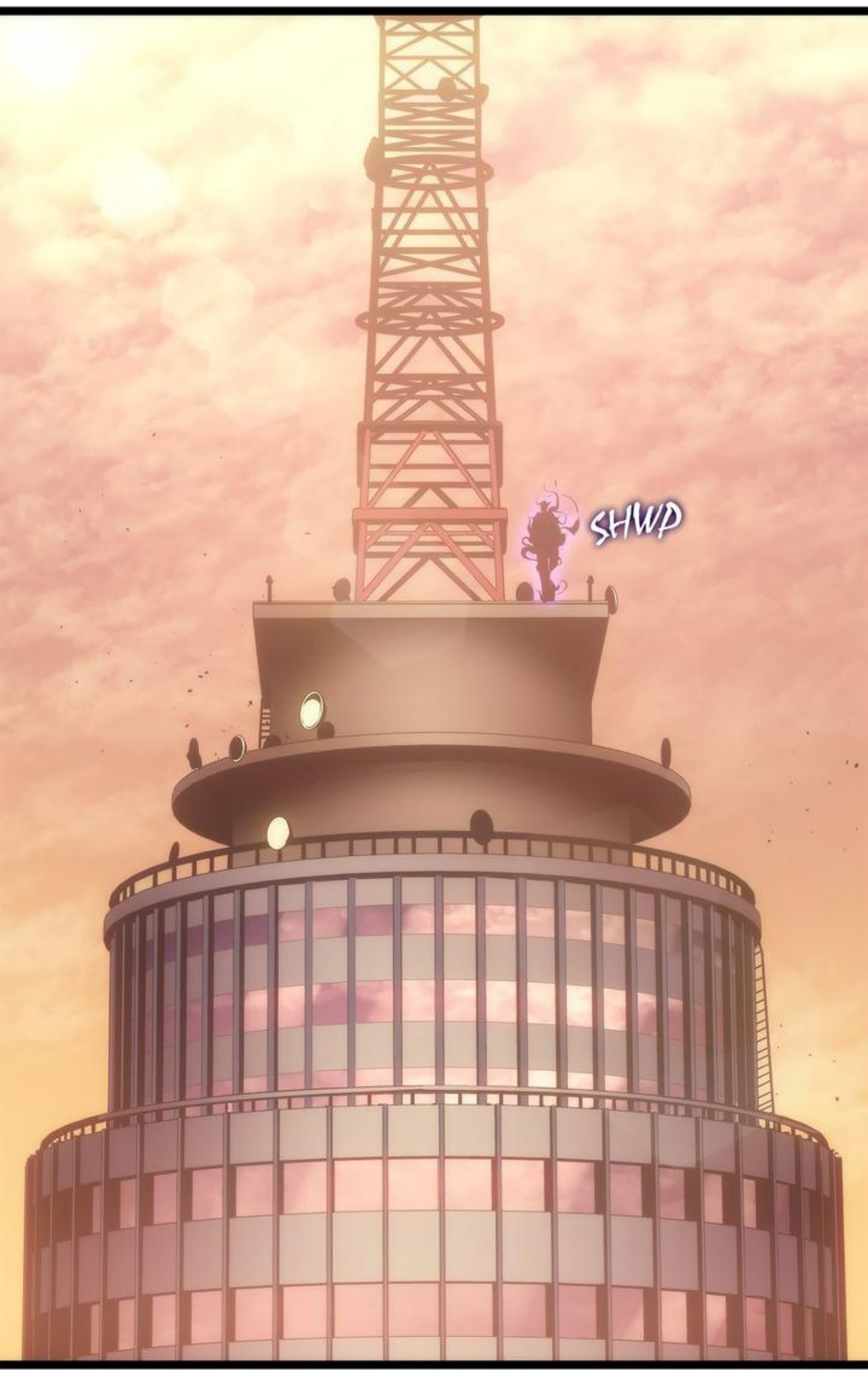
**NO ONE WILL BE  
ABLE TO REMEMBER  
YOU. IT WILL BE A  
LONESOME BATTLE!**



PLEASE EXCUSE  
ME FOR BARGING  
IN AND ASKING FOR  
FAVORS LIKE THIS.

**MR. SUNG!!**













JINWOO?

IS THAT  
REALLY YOU?

YES. I'M SORRY  
I COULDN'T CALL.  
I'VE BEEN PRETTY  
BUSY RECENTLY.

NO WORRIES.  
I'VE BEEN BUSY  
MYSELF.



RIGHT. WE  
HAVEN'T SEEN  
EACH OTHER IN  
A WHILE.





LET'S MEET UP  
AGAIN SOON.

SURE. LET'S  
DO THAT.



JINWOO.

HMM?



PROMISE ME...





...YOU'LL COME  
TO SEE ME.



I PROMISE.

I'LL COME  
TO SEE YOU, NO  
MATTER WHAT.





WE SHOULD GET  
GOING NOW.











THE ASIAN HUNTER ALLIANCE,  
THE EUROPEAN HUNTER UNION,  
THE AFRICAN GUILD COALITION,  
AND THE CHINESE EMERGENCY  
RESPONSE UNION...





HUNDREDS OF  
THOUSANDS OF HUNTERS  
WERE HEADING TO THE  
BATTLEFIELD.



HERE I AM!

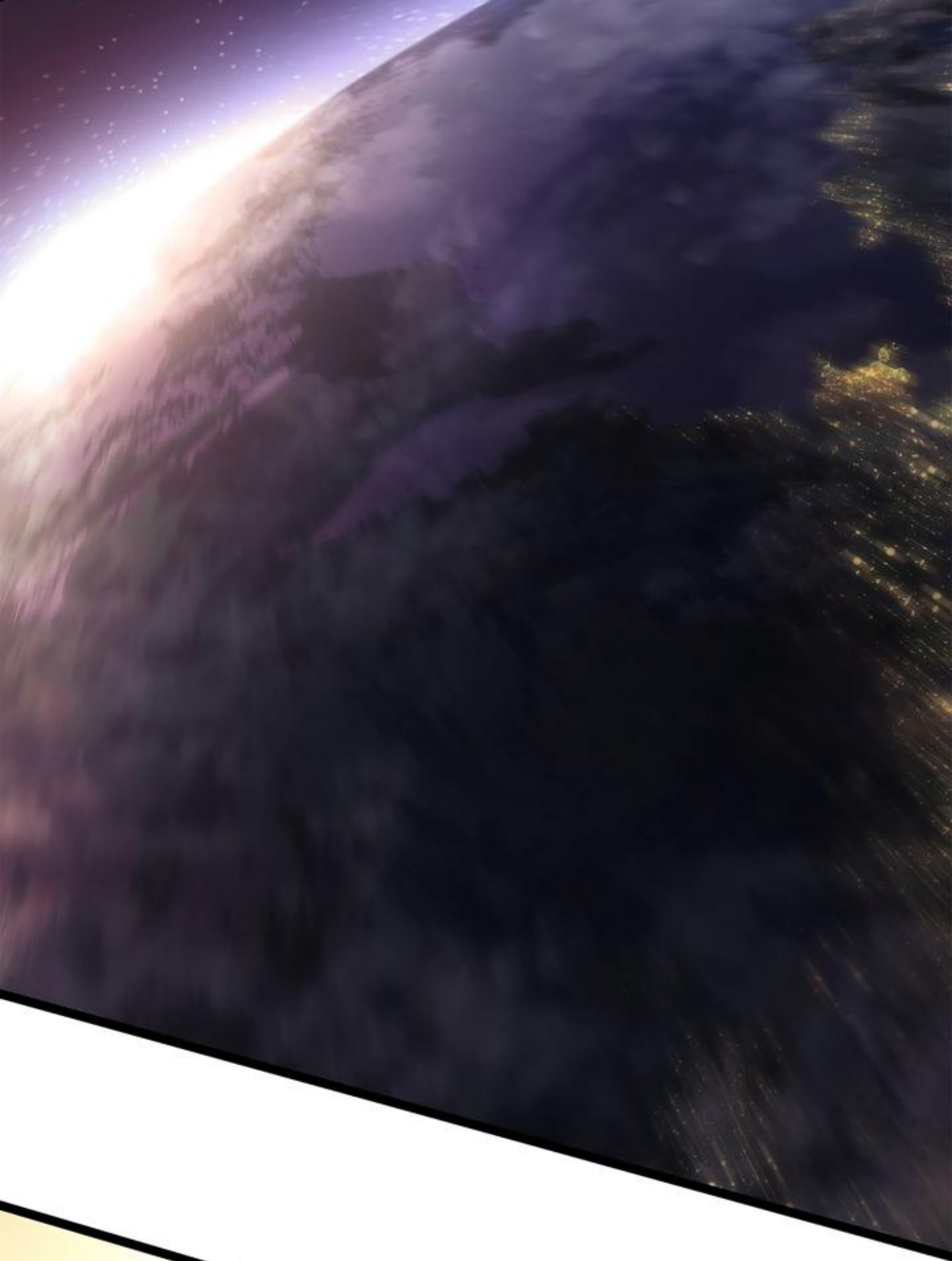




GLINT







FLASH







MILLIONS OF  
YOUR KIND HAVE  
DIED ALREADY.

HOW MUCH  
LONGER WILL YOU  
STAY IN HIDING?



DON'T WORRY.  
I'LL BE THERE  
SOON.







To Be Continued...

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